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PARENTS PRAISE DAY CARE CENTER

by: Kathy Thurston
Editor-in-Chief

The BCC Day Care Center is finally a reality and students planning to use it were invited to an open house on August 25 to preview the facility. Dennis Mehlenbacher, a Chemical Engineering Technician freshman, plans to bring his 16-month old son Aaron to the center. Mehlenbacher said that coming back to school would not have been as easy without the provision of on-campus child care.

Another parent, Business Administration freshman Laura Stack, will place her 3-year-old daughter at the center and said, "I think Joelle will be happier since I'm closer to her now." Stack also said, "It's a great step for the college. I'm so glad it's here."

Brandon Lown gets a gentle rock from Tara Rockwell Teaching Assisstant in the Infant Room

Students usually have enough to contend with. Adding worries of child care to the endless list of college demands can only hurt their academic aspirations. Student Nursing freshman, Dale O'Connor will bring both of her sons, Alex, 4 and Charles, 2, to the center. She remarked, "I feel comfortable bringing them here. I know they will be taken care of correctly. It's one less worry."

Director of the center, Nancy Seliga was beaming with pleasure over the final outcome of what has been her dream.

The only worry marring the event for her was the delay in licensing. That has been resolved and the center was officially opened on September 1. Judy Coderre, program coordinator said, "This is exciting. It's been a long time in the planning."

RED TAPE DELAYS END: DAY CARE CENTER DOORS OPEN

By: Lonnelle Gleason
Staff Writer

Anyone observing the four classrooms in BCC's Day Care Center will notice happy children, secure in their new educational environment. Although licensing problems and the flood in the midwest delayed the opening of the center at the start of the semester, on August 31 they received their license and were able to officially open their doors the following Wednesday.

"The reason the center opened late was because there was still some extra work that needed to be completed before we could get our license," explains Nancy Seliga, director of the center.

The flooding of the Mississippi River hampered the shipment of the playground equipment from the midwest. The center hopes to install the equipment within the coming year.

However, the children do not seem to notice the lack of a playground. They are too busy exploring their new environment meeting new people, and most of all, learning." Mindi Pasquarello, lead teacher of the four-year-olds, remarked, "In this level of day care, the children are learning so much about things. They learn about social interaction, dramatic play, prereading, science, and prewriting through playing."

Approximately 55 children, ranging from 6 weeks to 5 years of age, are currently enrolled. The center is open from 7:30 a.m.to 4:30 p.m. and is located in the former Auxiliary building. For more information, contact the center at 778-5437.

ARCHIVES

NEWS

DELAYS END GROUNDBREAKING ARRIVES

by: Kathy Thurston
Editor-in-Cheif

Ground-breaking ceremonies for Broome County's new Public Safety Complex took place on July 15 behind BCC's Campus Services building, where the new jail will be built.

County Executive, Timothy Grippen acted as host for the occasion and presented "Golden Shovel" plaques to key people involved with the project. He noted the project has taken a tremendous amount of courage to become a reality.

Among those receiving the awards were two former sheriffs, John Perhach and Anthony Ruffo, and current sheriff, Geno DeAngelo.

Since its inception the project has met with some stiff opposition, from legislators to community members. DeAngelo said that now that the project has become a reality it is time for all to put their differences behind them, mend fences and look forward to a successful future. He called the event a "Day of celebration."

The new building should be an asset to the overall appearance of the BCC neighborhood. Its modern design will enable it to blend in well with the sleek architecture of some of the newer campus buildings.

The facility will house the Emergency Services division, the Sheriff's offices and a 400-bed correctional unit. The larger facility will mean that inmates will no longer need to be farmed out to other county jails, which is a drain on taxpayers.

DeAngelo said that this is the biggest project Broome County has ever seen. He also pointed out that, by comparison, the computerization system alone is beyond that of other area facilities, including ones in nearby Pennsylvania.

Some detractors of the project have used the excuse that a jail should not be built next to a college campus.

What they overlook is that the college was built next to the existing jail. The new facility will not only enable the elimination of the dilapidated building next-door, but will also provide safer measures for housing prisoners.

The mission statement of the Broome County Public Safety Complex reads, in part, that the facility will provide that "All inmates shall be treated in a humane and dignified manner." Job orientation and training will be provided which will result in " safe and effective management of the facility and its inmate population."

Arthur Shafer, Chairman of the County Legislator, also speaking at the ceremony, said that he believes the project will meet the needs of the community for years to come. The complex is expected to be completed in about two-and-a-half years.

Theater BCC will present "Mates" this weekend in The Little Theatre located in the Student Center. The play, by Bernard Mendillo, centers on two mates of a psychiatric center. The patients are assigned living quarters together in a facility cottage. However, the men are totally mismatched and seem to be the worst roommates. They both have emotional problems and don't agree on anything, like values or religious beliefs.

The character, David Whittler is played by Angelo Zuccolo and Marshall Frey will portray Whittler's roommate, Charles Evans.

Zuccolo, who is also directing the play explained that the setting is realistic with stylized staging. "It looks like an island," he said. The set was designed by scenic designer George Litynski. Technical director is John Butchko, Diane Kearns is stage manager and Jason Tischbein is on lights and sound.

The play will run this Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Curtain time is 8:15 p.m. Tickets are $8 for General Admission and $5 for Students and Seniors. To reserve tickets call 778-5191.

ELECTION NEWS

by: Robert Fortner
News Editor

Free soda and a voice in Student Government will be the case as elections for full and part time Student Senators, and one vice presidential seat come up for vote on September 23 and 24.

Along with the regular election of senators, there will be the election of Vice President for Financial Affairs. The position, which was filled during the spring elections, was left vacant with the resignation of Julia Adams.

All totaled there are 14 senate seats up for election—twelve full time, and two part time. The term of a Student Senator is one year.

Anyone interested in any of the positions should go to the office of Student Government, located at SA 103. A petition must be filled out and 12 signatures gathered in order to be eliword essay, explaining why you want to run and what you hope to accomplish in office must accompany the petition. The essays will be published in the Fulcrum.

Petitions must be completed and returned to Student Government no later than 3 p.m. September 17. Petitions will be verified to confirm candidate's GPA and status. Candidates will be able to check this verification at the Student Government office on September 20.

Last spring a free soda was given to each person who voted in the general elections. The idea was such a huge success that it will be repeated in this election.

PIEROG STEPS DOWN

On September 8 a letter was issued from the office of Dr. Dellow, president of BCC, to the campus in general.

The following is a copy of that letter.

TO THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY,

After many years of energetic and dedicated service and leadership in Student Affairs, John Pierog will be leaving his position as Vice President to assume a teaching position in the Learning Assistance Center.

This change will take place at the start of the Spring semester. Between now and then John will continue to administer the Student affairs division and to prepare for a smooth transition period. During this time, I will be studying alternatives for continuing delivery of our student services. I assure all areas of Student Affairs that their work on behalf of our students will be of paramount importance as we look to the future.

On behalf of the campus, we wish John well in his new endeavor and express our appreciation for his many years of hard work and his contributions both to the college and the Student Affairs division.

The letter is signed Donald A. Dellow.

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AIDS QUILT COMING TO BALDWIN GYM

PRESS RELEASE

On behalf of Broome Community College, the Student Government Association and the Southern Tier NAMES project we hope you will join us in the Baldwin Gym on October 22-24, 1993, as we host the NAMES project AIDS Memorial Quilt display. The display theme is entitled, "COMMUNITY OF COLORS: EDUCTION FOR LIFE". It will feature 304 three-foot by six-foot panels, made by friends, family members and lovers to commemorate the life of someone who has died of AIDS. The panels are just a portion of the 23,000 panels which make up the entire AIDS Memorial Quilt.

Historically, the Quilt which was nominated in 1989 and

1991 for a Nobel Peace Prize, began in San Francisco as one person's protest to the AIDS epidemic. Propelled by the death and tragedy that confronted so many around the world a man named Cleve Jones searched for a way to make people understand the overwhelming loss and frustration affecting him and so many of his friends.

In June of 1987, Jones spray-painted his friend's name, Marvin Feldman, onto a piece of cloth approximately the sizeof a grave. Friends, acquaintances, and strangers joined the effort by making panels of their own. Soon, thousands of people across the United States and around the world were adding names and expressing their emotions by creating hand-made memorials for the loved ones they had lost to AIDS.

Today the Quilt continues as a powerful, visible symbol illustrating the enormity of the AIDS pandemic by showing the humanity behind the statistics.. So mark your calendars for this important event, and become a part of history in the making.

If you would like additional information about the Quilt display, or would like to volunteer, please contact Quilt Display Co-Chairs Mary Ligouri, Director of Health & Wellness Center, Wales Building, Room 103, or Tom Nowetner, Student Government President, Student Activities Building, Room 102.

The Fulcrum Footnotes

CAMPUS NEWS

BLOOD DRIVE at BCC

The Southern Tier Blood Center will be conducting a blood drive on September 22 and 23 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The need for platelets and blood products continues., Especially in demand is blood type O since about 45% of the population has it, while the demand exceeds 50 percent.

Volunteer blood donors must be 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health on the day of donation. For more information call 724-1802.

CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club will meet every Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. in room L-001. On September 11 there will be a special "Tourney for Kids" from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. in room L-002. For more information contact Norm Herbert in M-003.

AWARDS CEREMONY

There will be an awards ceremony for People of Culture Members on September 17 from 6 until 12 p.m. The event will take place in the BCC cafeteria. Plaques will be presented to last year's members who demonstrated outstanding service to the club. Food will be available and a dance will follow the ceremony.

PANEL MAKING

A quilt panel making session for the family and friends of loved ones who have died of AIDS will be held on September 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The project take place in the BCC cafeteria. Questions and dedications can be addressed to Sharon Zembeck at 778-5456 in Whales 103.

ABC AT RISK

For infants in New York with HIV/AIDS, blankets will be assembled at BCC and sent to them at their hospitals. The blanket will be buried with the baby when she or he dies. Volunteers are needed to make the blankets and donated cotton fabrics are welcome. More information is available by contacting Sharon Zembeck at 778-5456.

NEXT ISSUE: POINT →✶← COUNTERPOINT

The issues of censorship, freedom of the press, dedication, respect and the all powerful collegate sport debate will be addressed by our own advisor and sports editor in a one to one battle of the pen. Open up the next issue of The Fulcrum and read along as the sparks, ink and insults fly. In POINT /COUNTERPOINT! Only in THE FULCRUM!

EDITORIALS

GOOD SHIP FULCRUM IS LAUNCHED

by: Kathy Thurston
Editor-in-Chief

It's a new semester and the good ship FULCRUM is ready to set sail from our new closet - er - office. (Ahem!) They haven't given us a very wide berth but we will steam ahead anyway, and leave everyone in our wake.

Our crew is nearly the same as last semester: Kathy Thurston is still Editor-in-Chief, commander of the ship; Bob Fortner, as News Editor is plotting the course; Seth Plavner, as Layout and Production Manager, is piloting the ship, and Kathy Fletcher, as Photo Editor, is documenting the voyage. Tom Wilber, Faculty Advisor, is our anchor, and to help pay the bills, (there ARE bills!), Bob's wife, Ilene, has signed on as Business Manager.

I'm using a ship as a metaphor only because we were so very lost at sea, cut adrift, as it were, by the administration at the end of last semester. Our berth was raided by a crew of pirates and taken over by Student Accounts. That in itself would not have been so bad if they hadn't treated our equipment and files like buried treasure, and stowed it away in the Student Union all summmer. We had planned on getting an early start on this semester's voyage but they didn't give us any space until about two weeks ago. (If you call this space! Don't they know the editor is claustraphobic? We have noticed that all the mice in here are hunch-backed.)

As before, we would like to welcome back all returning students and introduce ourselves to new students. The Fulcrum is the college student paper. It is your voice, your medium to the campus. While we seldom solicit stories, we do welcome all input and story ideas. Our "Letters-to-the-Editor" column is always open. Although we do not print unsigned letters, we will withhold your name on request. We also welcome anyone who is interested in writing, editing or proofreading.

Don't look for us in the SA building, though. We are now in the Business Building, room 212. Stories may also be dropped off at our mailbox in the Wales building. If possible, it would be best if you do your writing on disk and bring it to us to transfer to our files.

We have changed our printing schedule from a monthly publication to bi-weekly. We're printing this for anyone who wishes to have us print announcements about upcoming events such as meetings, fund-raisers or special events. However, we do ask that you let us know at least two weeks in advance. (Please look for our tentative printing schedule elsewhere in this issue.)

Well, mates, that's it for me for this issue. It's time to pipe aboard the crew and sail away. If you have any questions, call us at 778-5110 or drop in B-212.

Ship Ahoy!

FULCRUM TENTATIVE PRINTING SCHEDULE:

September 10
September 23
October 7
October 21
November 4
November 18
December 9

WHAT IS GOING ON HERE??

by: Joe Santangelo
Staff Writer

What is this rationality behind BCC's administrative behavior toward the Fulcrum?

Why was a maintenance stockroom, located in the Business Building on the second floor, chosen as an objective environment for the Fulcrum? The size of this stockroom can be compared to a small tomb.

If administration had a choice in the matter of relocating the Fulcrum as part of the master remodeling project, then by no means was this choice - locating the paper in a 5 x 8 stockroom - cognizant and in accord with that objective.

We feel the powers-that-be have made a poor choice in deciding where the student paper should go - or was this their objective - silencing the voice of students who may question administrative policies on campus?

It seems this is happening to quite a few student newspapers throughout the country. Several of Binghamton University's outspoken papers have fallen victim to administrative pressure in funding resources.

Maybe we sound a little paranoid, but we believe there is more to this issue than just a matter of the lack of space or funds, as we have been told. In other words, there are two matters that must take priority. One is rationalistic bias, and administrative behavior.

Well folks, the Fulcrum is not dead. Don't be surprised if you see a figure running past you with pad and pencil in hand with a photographer following.

The Fulcrum welcomes students new and used and hopes for the most for all concerned.

No matter what the situation or circumstance, the Fulcrum will publish. We will publish from a closet, or from a roof top if need be. So support your campus newspaper and let the administration know just how valuable the student body thinks that paper is.

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EDITORIALS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I have a question. How come sign language is not considered a language by the College? According to Webster, a language is defined as: " a systematic means of communicating ideas or feelings by the use of conventionalized signs, sounds, gestures or marks having understood meanings." So how come sign language isn't considered a language by the College. What criterion does it not meet? What criterion must it meet?

There are many different languages spoken on this campus and every effort is made to guage courses to make sure we can all communicate together. How come we don't do this with the Deaf?

This issue was brought to my attention by Carl and its for him that I bring to issue into the light. He's concerned with the unity of us as a student body. To him, the idea is of great urgency to realize the importance of the validity of Sign Language. It's validity is being denied by this College. It's a language just like Korean, Vietnamese, French, Spanish or Arabic.

Something else to think about.

Dear Student

Last year BCC saw the beginnings of change. New-and louder-voices rose from the student body. In the form of vote and involvement, the students of this campus began demanding accountability from those in charge of running the college.

The change was brought about by everything from clear vocal restlessness, to a sweep of the Student Government, during the last elections. The student wanted his\her voice heard, taking positive, forward steps toward this end.

With the beginning of the new semester, and a new school year, it is time to, once again ask questions of those who hold the answers.

The move by the student body for more say in how it's college experience will be remembered must be maintained, and even intensified during the coming year. We have seen change as a result of our boisterous insistence. We can not allow our successes to make us complacent. Our work is not done.

Speak up! Only you can make a difference, and change can only come with the song of a unified voice. The new Student Government has your interest in mind. Don't be afraid to use them for their intended purpose, that of student representatives. And don't be afraid to let them know if they become slack in representing your interest.

This is our campus. If we treat it as such, we will leave it a better place than we found it.

Good luck in the new year, and congratulations on the successes of last year.

August 30, 1993

Three cheers for all of the dedicated students, faculty, staff, and others on campus who worked for years to make BCC's buildings smoke-free. What an intellegent and healthy move for all of us. I especially applaud the smokers who had the courage and good sense to sign the petitions to ban smoking in all campus buildings. Many people who smoke also realize the damage side-stream and second-hand smoking does to non-smokers and are willing to do what they can to help. Wouldn't it be wonderful if everyone was that considerate? Unfortunately, there will always be someone who will ruin it for the rest of us.

As I walked into the quad entrance of the Wales Administration building today, I was rudely greeted by the unmistakable odor of cigarette smoke seeping down the stairs from the second floor. This was so disheartening, especially because it was happening months after the smoke-free policy was announced by the VP for Administraion. Why are some people exempt from adhering to this campus policy? If our own adminisration does not respect our own policies, how can we expect to enforce them with students and other members of the campus community? Is it fair that one person is allowed to smoke while others ae not? Will we continue to keep our mouths shut while the smoke fills our hallways and our lungs?

In the spirit of fairness and good health for all, I feel that everyone should honor our new policy and work to make the BCC campus a healthier and more productive place to be.

Michelle K. Perricone

Faculty Member

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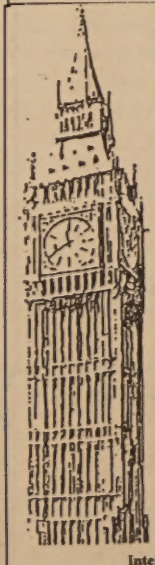

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THEATRE

SOME ENCHANTED EVENING

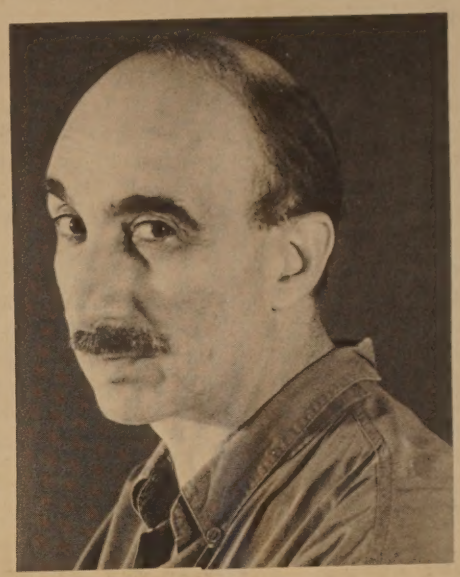
by: Joe Santangelo
Staff Writer

Some enchanted evening you may wander into BCC's Little Theatre and enjoy one of several plays to be presented this coming year.

The theatre, under direction of Angelo Zuccolo is presently preparing another season.

Angelo Zuccolo has been an active professional player in BCC's Little Theatre since 1974. Over those years Theatre/BCC has brought many memorable productions to the campus. It can be said that many feet have trodden the stairs leading to the theatre stage. Those stairs have been painted over 300 times. The stage, too, gets a fresh coat after each season, for the new season ahead.

It takes many people to keep the theatre going and fresh. Many students have graced the stage, but also faculty and staff have been involved.



Angelo Zuccolo director of BCC's "Little Theatre"

Understanding about the production end of theatre is a treat for any student, especially when it come under the tutorship of John Butchko, head of the communication department here at BCC.

George Litynski is Theatre/BCC's veteran lighting and scenic designer. George's innovation and craftsmanship bring to each play an atmosphere of sheer delight. After the coming season George will have over 100 set designs, for Theatre/BCC, under his carpenter's belt.

Zuccolo's approach to characterization is quite unique. He believes in total collaboration among directing, design, and acting, when establishing a show's concept. Zuccolo works closely with the actors to make their characterization intimate and vital. This is one of the reasons the productions by the Theatre are so enjoyable and entertaining.

The season is about to begin, so step up to the box office and purchase your ticket to fantasy. Then, for one enchanted evening let the Theatre/BCC be your guide to true entertainment.

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SPORTS

BCC HOSTS SEVEN AT TUNE-UP TOURNAMENT

by: Frank Santangelo
Sports Writer

On September 4, BCC began the day with a promising victory defeating Hudson 15-11, 15-11. However, BCC did not play to capacity in spite of a spectactular performance by Kenyon. Covering the court - stretching to take away Hudson points -she was able to pass to BCC setters, keeping the team alive. Her combination of offense and defense carried the Lady Hornets against Hudson. Later, Broome suprised, splitting with the Genesee Cougars (14-16,15-13), playing both games tough. Broome fell victim in the first game following relentless volleys. Edwards was forced to spend a timeout after Genesee took advantage of early Hornet errors. Breaking from the huddle yelling, "DEFENSE," BCC would settle down and forge ahead on a Tammy Lombardi spike prompting a Cougar timeout. Dawn Kenyon hit the floor hard midway through and, not withstanding an immediate motion from Edwards, Keynon dismissed the substitution attempt. Noticeably, Kenyon was in distress and would ultimately lift the ball into the net on the go ahead point for the Cougars.

During the second game Kenyon's injury became a factor.The Lady Hornets labored. Initially, however, BCC played tough led by the strong service of Julie Bird and Janice Trelewicz, a middle hitter; whose brillant offense-aces and spikes, respectively-stymied the Cougars. Before it was over Genesee would poke ahead 13-12 prompting Edwards to spend her final timeout. She shifted anxiously-a BCC loss would spell elimination-as the ball carried across the net only to be returned by a Cougar into the net, a loss that would force an eventual tie breaker between the two rivals. The Cougars would go on to defeat the Hornets in a sudden death game blistering BCC 15-8. It was an easy and swift victory-with a service ace to the Hornets' weak spot-that assured the Cougars a place in the semis. Following elimination Coach Edwards appeared relieved as she smiled and said, "I feel pretty good-I didn't sleep last night. We played better than expected." When asked if she had regretted not forcing a sub for the injured Kenyon (who betwixt the fall and next match had her wrist in ice and wrapped) responded by shaking her head saying "no."

Overall this was indeed a "tune-up" in as much as, among other things, Broome unlike the other participating teams went without scrimmage games leaving Edwards unawares regarding actual team play as a unit. Edwards headed towards the locker room. Was she discouraged- "No," she said, "we're ready to work-we'll do well this season."

Two BEE or not Two BEE:

Mascot Gains a Partner to Help with Cheering Duties

By: Frank Santangelo
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New Hornet Mascot Entertains The Incoming Freshman and Crowd At Freshman Orientation

Newly appointed mascot, Maureen Kane is quick to point out,

"I'm not a bee, I'm a hornet!" The first-year student takes her appointment seriously. Kane,however, is not a rookie mascot. While a student at Seaton High School she acted as the "Saint" mascot and has occasionally played host at Chuckie Cheese's as the head mouse himself.

Kane also attended a mascot tutelage that was offered at Rutgers University where students practiced in front of the hildren at a nearby nursery. "All the little kids ran away from me yelling that I was a bee!" she recalled.

Kane's first assignment at BCC was to mingle with new students at orientation. Her performance was a bit "bumbling" due to the awkwardness of the costume. She says that the costume is light but the wings are confining and hamper movement.

However, the BCC Hornet will soon have company in the form of a "Mister Hornet." The marriage of the bees will provide another mascot to cover events that conflict with the schedule of the current mascot. Kathy Glover will fill the costume of Mr. Hornet. Glover is hopeful that two mascots will motivate the crowds and spice up the cheerleading efforts. "I'm a crowd motivator. I have lots of energy and want to fire up the crowd," she said.

Cheerleaders' coach, Barry Simmons, feels that the marriage of the bees will simply conform to the trend of pairing mascots, and has already won support for the plan from his squad.

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